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In re Application of:

Examiner: D. Pan

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METHOD AND APPARATUS

FOR SELECTIVELY

RETRIEVING INFORMATION FROM A SOURCE COMPUTER USING A TERRESTRIAL OR SATELLITE INTERFACE November 12, 2001

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

For:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. These documents were cited in Application No. 09/512,269 (the "269 Application"), the parent of the above-referenced continuation application. Copies of the documents should be available in the '269 Application, or grandparent Application No. 09/216,576, under 37 CFR 1.98(d).

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REMARKS

Each of the listed Japanese documents at Sheets 5 and 6 of the Form PTO-1449 other than Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 61-221228 was cited in a Japanese Official Action of a counterpart foreign patent application corresponding to Application No. 08/257,670 filed June 8, 1994, which was referenced at page 1 of the specification of the subject application. The Official Action was mailed on December 8, 1998. A translation of the Official Action is enclosed. The documents cited in the Official Action may be pertinent for the reasons noted therein.

Each of the listed Japanese documents at Sheet 8 of the Form PTO-1449, as well as Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application Nos. 5-252165, 4-306934, 6-252896, 61-210745, 5-252087, and 63-194426, was cited in a Japanese Official Action of a counterpart foreign patent application corresponding to Application No. 08/257,670. The Official Action was mailed on November 21, 2000. The Official Action and a translation thereof are enclosed. The documents cited in the Official Action may be pertinent for the reasons noted therein.

It will also be appreciated that U.S. Patent Nos. 4,775,974, 4,793,813, and 5,157,662, and European Patent Document No. 0 483 547, were cited in a European Communication of a counterpart foreign patent application corresponding to Application No. 08/257,670. The Communication was mailed on March 14, 2001. A copy of the Communication is enclosed. The documents cited in the Communication may be pertinent for the reasons noted therein.

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Each of the listed Japanese documents, JP-A-62-189823, JP-A-5-252165, JP-B2-4-148411, and JP-A-63-107254, as well as Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application Nos. 62-189823 and 5-252165, was cited in a Japanese Official Action of a counterpart foreign patent application corresponding to Application No. 08/257,670. The Official Action was mailed on April 3, 2001. A translation of the Official Action is enclosed. The documents cited in the Official Action may be pertinent for the reasons noted therein.

<u>CONCLUSION</u>

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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